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1. UNDERSTAND AMBASSADOR YOUNG HAS CONVEYED AIDE MEMOIRE
TO SYG WALDHEIM WHICH FORMALLY INFORMED WALDHEIM OF U.S.
CANDIDACY OF JAMES P. GRANT FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
UNICEF AS SUCCESSOR TO LABOUISSSE, BUT THAT WALDHEIM
EVINced NO PARTICULAR REACTION.

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2. FYI. DEPARTMENT NOW UNDERSTANDS FROM EXCELLENT
SOURCE SWEDEN MAY BE RELAXING EFFORTS TO PUSH ERNST
MICHANEK FOR JOB. END FYI. WE BELIEVE IT DESIRABLE
FOR AMBASSADOR TO MAKE FORMAL CALL ON WALDHEIM AS SOON
AS POSSIBLE TO REITERATE POINTS MADE IN AIDE MEMOIRE
AND TO REGISTER OUR CONCERN THAT WALDHEIM MAKE COMMITMENT
TO CHOOSE GRANT AS PROPOSED NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT

EARLIEST POSSIBLE MOMENT BEFORE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
SCHEDULED MAY 17 TO JUNE 3 IN MANILA.

3. WALDHEIM SHOULD CLEARLY UNDERSTAND IMPORTANCE WHICH
U.S. PLACES ON SELECTION OF GRANT. UNDER AMERICAN
DIRECTION UNICEF HAS BECOME PROBABLY MOST POPULAR SINGLE
UN BODY IN UNITED STATES BOTH WITH GENERAL PUBLIC AND THE
CONGRESS. IN RECENT COMMITTEE ACTION BOTH HOUSE AND
SENATE HAVE INCREASED AUTHORIZATION FOR UNICEF FOR
FY 1978 TO DOLLARS 25 MILLION, OVER ADMINISTRATION
REQUEST FOR DOLLARS 20 MILLION, A 25 PERCENT INCREASE.
SUCH FAVORABLE ATMOSPHERE COULD TURN SOUR IF U.S. LOSES
TOP POSITION IN UNICEF. WALDHEIM SHOULD BE LEFT IN NO
DOUBT THAT U.S. WOULD BE GRAVELY DISAPPOINTED NOT TO
CONTINUE TO HOLD UNICEF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SPOT.
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